Relief to victims of rains in Karnataka

1555. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURTHY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount sought to provide relief to victims of large scale destruction caused by rain in Bangalore, Mysore, Mandya and Hassan districts during the last two months;

(b) whether an all party delegation met the hon'ble Prime Minister of India in this regard;

(c) the amount so far released by Government in this regard; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken to release the remaining amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) to (d) The Government of Karnataka has submitted a memorandum seeking financial assistance of Rs. 1256.90 crore from National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF) for the damage caused by heavy rains/floods of September-October 2005. An Inter-Ministerial Central Team has visited the State *w.e.f.* 8th-11th November, 2005 for an on the spot assessment of damage and requirements of funds. The report of the Central Team has since been received and is under examination for being placed before the Inter-Ministerial Group and thereafter before the High Level Committee to decide the quantum of assistance to be provided from NCCF, as per the laid down procedure. Based on the decision of the High Level Committee, financial assistance is released to the concerned State Government from the NCCF.

An all party delegation had met the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 5th November 2005 in this regard.

Naxalism in states

†1556. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the situation in more than 100 naxalism affected districts of 11 States of the country, is very explosive;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the total number of persons killed in naxalite violence during the last six months with the number of security personnel and naxalites killed separately as well as naxalites arrested therein;

(c) whether it is also a fact that due to lack of having sophisticated weapons, the police forces are unable to take on them;

(d) whether Government are working on any plan to exterminate the naxalites; and

(e) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) 127 districts in 12 States are affected by naxal violence/influence in varying degrees. Out of these, 76 districts in 9 States also in varying degrees are more severely affected.

(b) The number of persons killed in naxalite violence including the number of security personnel and those of naxalites killed and arrested during the last six months are as under:

Civilians killed	269
Policemen killed	75
Naxalites killed	109
Naxalites arrested	1213

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) The Central Government has adopted a multi-pronged strategy to tackle the problem of naxalism which includes (i) modernization and strengthening of the State Police forces (ii) long term deployment of Central Para Military Forces (iii) intensified intelligence based well-coordinated operations against naxalite leaders, cadres and their infrastructure, (iv) focussed attention on integrated development of the affected areas, (v) gearing up of public grievances redressal system and creation of Local Resistance Groups and (vi) having a peace dialogue by the affected States, wherever feasible, with naxal groups willing to abjure violence.